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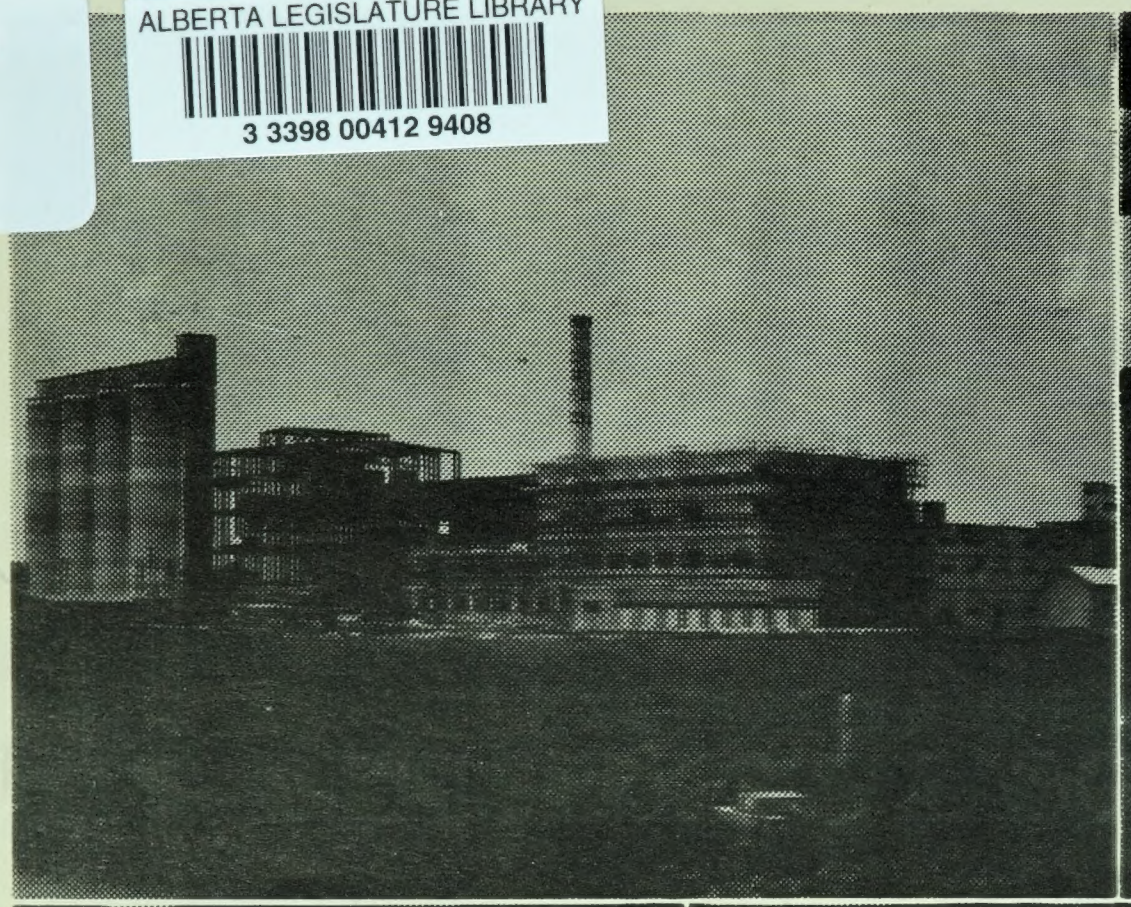

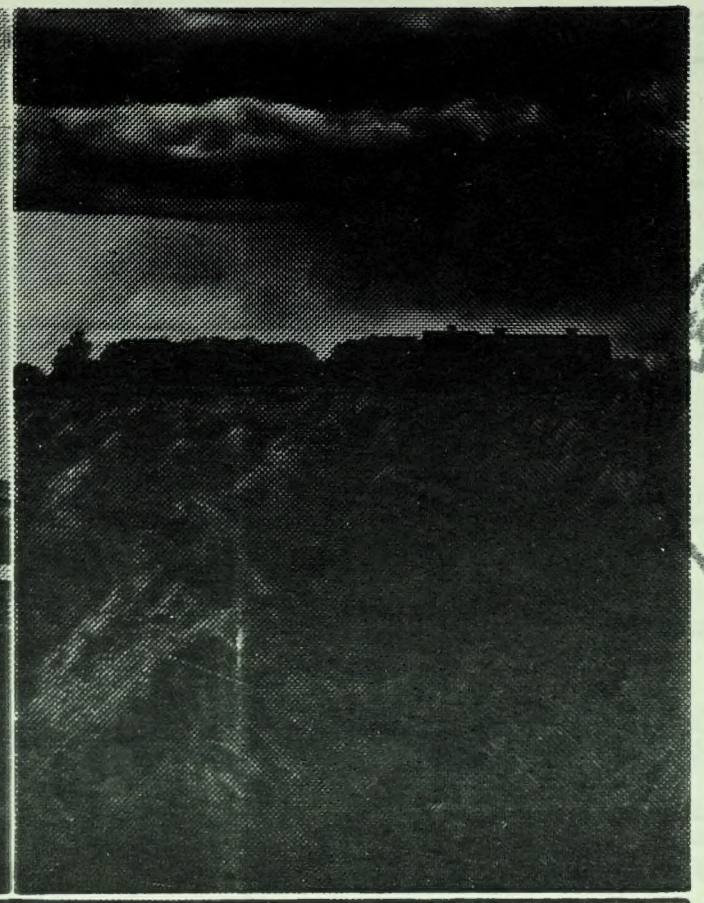

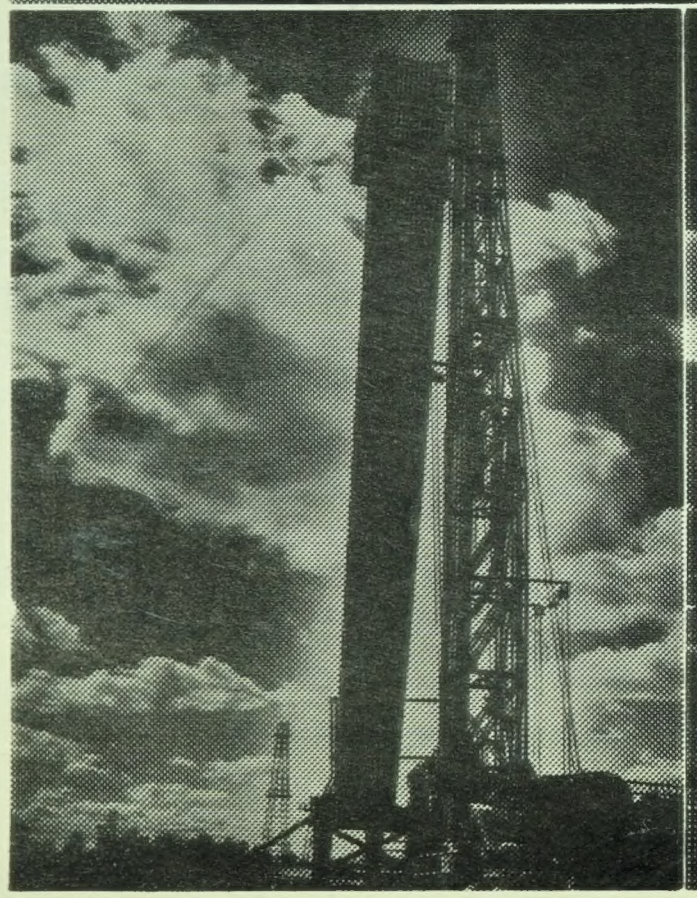

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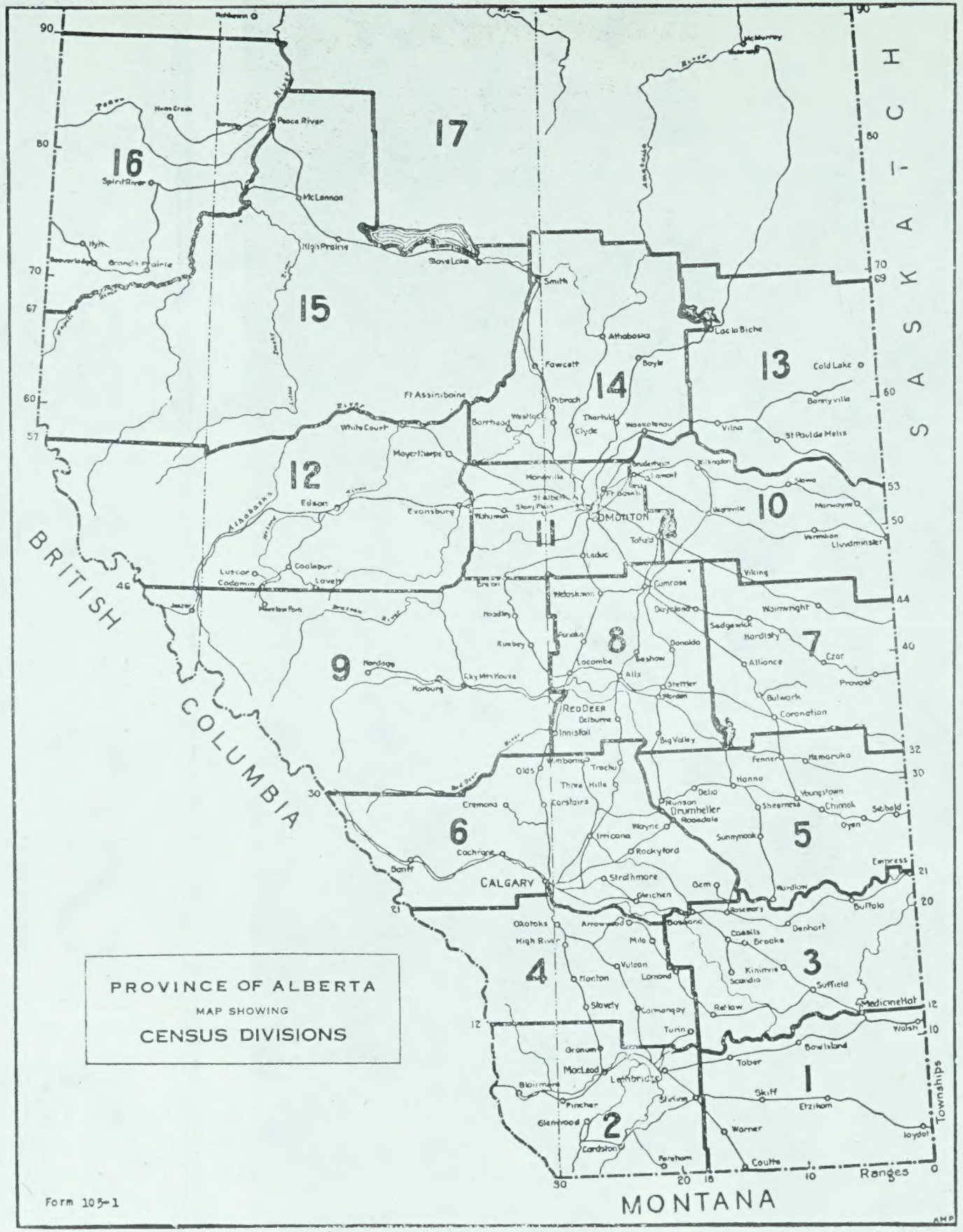
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I T E M S O F I N T E R E S T

Statistics received from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics indicate that both the gross and net income of farm operators from farming operations in Alberta was lower in 1952 than in 1951. It should be stated however that the figures for 1952, being preliminary, are subject to revision. Particulars are outlined on the undernoted table but before attempting to analyze figures, the following factors should be taken into consideration if an endeavour is made to establish a relationship between Gross and Net Income and Gross and Net Production. Furthermore there is a great difference between Gross Production which includes many duplications in value, and a statement of Gross Production which purports the exclusion of as many duplications as possible.

NET INCOME OF FARM OPERATORS FROM FARMING OPERATIONS - ALBERTA

PARTICULARS	1950	* Per Farm	1951	* Per Farm	1952 (Preliminary)	* Per Farm
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Cash Income from farm products	368,007,000	4,365	466,047,000	5,528	506,660,000	6,009
(1) Income in kind	45,207,000	536	50,537,000	599	48,954,000	581
Value of changes in inventory	23,503,000	279	114,092,000	1,353	63,412,000	752
GROSS INCOME	436,717,000	5,180	630,676,000	7,480	619,026,000	7,342
Operating expenses and depreciation	205,567,000	2,438	233,602,000	2,771	249,047,000	2,954
NET INCOME (excluding supplementary payments)	231,150,000	2,742	397,074,000	4,709	369,979,000	4,388
Supplementary payments	5,256,000	62	4,235,000	51	2,349,000	28
NET INCOME	$ 236,406,000	2,804	$ 401,309,000	4,760	$ 372,328,000	4,416

* Based on 84,315 farms in Alberta

(1) Dairy products, Poultry and Eggs, Meats, Fruits and Vegetables, Honey and Maple products, Forest products, other products, House Rent etc.

In 1952 gross income was 1.85 percent lower than in 1951, net income 6.82 percent lower, while the operating expenses were 6.61 percent greater.

To establish a relationship between gross income and the value of a gross production which includes as little duplication as possible, such as duplicate values for grain, forage, milk etc., fed to live stock etc. the following statement is prepared.

PARTICULARS	1950	Per Farm	1951	Per Farm	1952 (preliminary)	Per Farm
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Gross Income	436,717,000	5,180	630,676,000	7,480	619,026,000	7,342
Less House Rent	15,130,000	179	15,993,000	190	16,000,000	190
Gross Production (including Minimum duplication)	421,587,000	5,001	614,683,000	7,290	603,026,000	7,152
Gross Production (including Major duplications)	$ 576,633,000	$ 6,839	$ 751,211,000	$ 8,910	$ 767,108,000	$ 9,098

In 1950, 1951, and 1952, operating expenses and depreciation were a heavy charge on gross income as the following table will show: -

		Per Cent
1950	-	47.07
1951	-	37.04
1952	-	40.23

For the three years mentioned the weighted average for expenses was 40.81 percent of gross income.

In the year 1951, the current value of farm capital was estimated to be $1,791,631,000; this comprised the value of lands and buildings, implements and machinery, live stock and poultry. On the basis of 84,315 farms in Alberta, 1951, this would average $21,249 per farm. Considering the risks incidental to farming and the fact that crop failures in a dry spell of 4 to 5 years continuously in sections of the province where the rainfall is light, the net income of $3,000 to nearly $5,000 per farm annually would not seem to be exorbitant.

Rising costs to the farmer for farm help are very significant. In 1939, male assistance could be secured for less than $500.00 per annum, which included wages and board. In 1952, with the scarcity of workers, the scale ranged from $1,500. to $1,900 and over per annum. The increase in wages to the farmer since 1939, has been proportionately greater than any other industry in the province. Taking this factor with others plus the decrease in the value of livestock and livestock products, the first class farmers are still in a strong position and it is not a paradox to state that in spite of the dependence of the farmer on many variables such as weather, seasons and decreases in prices, he still may be placed in the category of citizens who are the most independent.

	1950	Per Farm	1951	Per Farm	1952 (preliminary)	Per Farm
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Gross Income	436,717,000	5,180	490,675,000	7,490	619,026,000	7,342
Less House Rent	15,130,000	179	15,953,000	199	16,090,000	190
Gross Production (Including Multiple Duplication)	421,587,000	5,001	474,683,000	7,290	603,026,000	7,152
Gross Production (Excluding Multiple Duplications)	377,287,000	4,476	731,211,000	8,210	767,108,000	9,098

In 1950, 1951, and 1952, operating expenses and depreciation were a heavy charge on gross income as the following table will show:

1950	47.0%
1951	71.0%
1952	40.3%

For the three years mentioned the weighted average for expenses was 40.8% percent of gross income.

In the year 1951, the current value of farm capital was estimated to be $71,771,031,000; this comprised the value of lands and buildings, equipment and machinery, live stock and supplies. On the basis of $6,315 farms in Kenya in 1951, this would average $11,347 per farm. Considering the risks incidental to land, and the fact that crop failures in a dry spell of 4 to 5 years continuously is possible or the province where the rainfall is light, the net income of $1,000 to nearly $5,000 per farm annually would not seem to be exorbitant.

Living costs to the farmer for farm help are very significant. In 1939, male assistance could be secured for less than $40.00 per annum, which included wages and board. In 1952, with the scarcity of workers, the scale ranged from $1,500 to $1,900 and over per annum. The increase in wages in the latter since 1939, has been proportionately greater than any other industry in the province. Taking this factor with others plus the decrease in the value of livestock and livestock products, the first class farmers are still in a strong position and it is not a paradox to state that in spite of the dependence of the farmer on many variables such as weather, persons and decreases in prices, he still may be placed in the category of citizens who are the most independent.

NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION (5 Cities - ALBERTA

January 1st to February 28th

Construction of Dwelling Units	1953 Jan.1st to Feb.28th	1953 Under Construction Feb.28th	1952 Jan.1st to Feb.29th	1952 Under Construction Feb.29th
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Calgary	242	277	1,559	82	247	639
Edmonton	67	493	1,448	54	500	1,271
Lethbridge	13	64	81	8	11	85
Medicine Hat	-	10	52	-	7	48
Red Deer	7	31	74	-	4	25
T O T A L (5 Cities)	329	875	3,214	144	769	2,068

CONSTRUCTION OF DWELLING UNITS - ALBERTA

January 1st to February 28th

Year	Under Construction Jan. 1st	Jan.1st to Feb. 28th Started	Jan.1st to Feb. 28th Completed	Adjustments	Under Construction Feb. 28th
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1951 (2 Mos.) -	5,803	247	886	-	5,164
1952 (2 Mos.) -	4,615	180	846	6	3,943
1953 (2 Mos.) -	5,877	385	1,038	6	5,218

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BUILDING CONTRACTS AWARDED - ALBERTA

(3 Months Cumulative - Jan. - Maech)

CLASSIFICATION:		1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	INCREASE (3 Mos.)	DECREASE (3 Mos.)	PER CENT INCREASE (3 Mos.) %	PER CENT DECREASE (3 Mos.) %
Residential -							
Contracts Awarded	No.	485	746	261		53.81	
Value	$.	3,892,700	11,312,000	7,419,300		190.60	
Business -							
Contracts Awarded	No.	83	113	30		36.14	
Value	$.	8,917,400	9,914,700	997,300		11.18	
Industrial -							
Contracts Awarded	No.	14	12		2		14.29
Value	$.	13,561,700	832,300		12,729,400		93.86
Engineering -							
Contracts Awarded	No.	36	124	88		244.44	
Value	$.	46,262,800	27,578,500		18,684,300		40.39
T O T A L - A L B E R T A -							
Contracts Awarded	No.	618	995	NET INCREASE	377	NET INCREASE %	61.00
Value	$.	72,634,600	49,637,500	NET DECREASE	22,997,100	NET DECREASE %	31.66

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SUMMARY

TWO MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952.

		CROP YEAR 1951 (8 Mos.Ending 27 Mar.1952)	CROP YEAR 1952 (8 Mos.Ending 1 April,1953)	INCREASE (8 Mos.)	DECREASE (8 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (8 MOS?) INC. %	PERCENTAGE (8 MOS?) DEC. %
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES:							
Farmers' Marketings: Country Elevator & Platform Loadings:							
WHEAT	Bushels.	82,324,000	95,711,000	13,387,000		16.26	
OTHER GRAINS	Bushels.	51,814,000	71,988,000	20,174,000		38.94	
Oats	Bushels.	21,224,000	23,858,000	2,634,000		12.41	
Barley	Bushels.	27,243,000	43,073,000	15,830,000		58.11	
Rye	Bushels.	2,499,000	3,452,000	953,000		38.14	
Flaxseed	Bushels.	848,000	1,605,000	757,000		89.27	
		1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (2 Mos.)	1953 (2 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (2 MOS.) INC.%	PERCENTAGE (2 MOS.) DEC.%
Flour Mills (8 firms) - Gross Sales -	$.	27,084,262	29,582,681	4,805,358	4,617,532		3.91
Production -	Barrels.	3,523,790	3,574,585	542,831	532,593		1.89
	Value $.	33,082,390	31,790,297	4,874,627	5,028,855	3.16	
Woollen Mill Products - Gross Sales -	Value $.	326,286	260,929	12,425	12,360		.52
Production -	Value $.	153,848	156,923	16,049	15,924		.78
Creamery Butter - Production -	Lbs.	28,960,087	27,659,868	2,188,728	2,518,302	15.06	
	Value $.	17,766,086	16,250,172	1,432,261	1,542,460	7.69	
Factory Cheese - Production -	Lbs.	2,079,895	2,022,391	156,912	215,901	37.59	
	Value $.	830,570	672,445	60,019	74,485	24.10	
Dairy Factories - Gross Sales -	$.	30,072,663	32,549,433	4,090,195	4,661,324	13.96	
Concentrated Milk - Gross Sales -	Cases.	444,260	333,498	77,348	58,135		24.84
Production -	Cases.	288,169	343,036	32,812	42,083	28.25	
	Value $.	1,658,540	2,024,401	215,153	247,437	15.01	

TWO MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952.

			1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (2 Mos.)	1953 (2 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (2 Mos) INC.%	DEC.%
AGRICULTURE - ALLIED INDUSTRIES:								
Packing Plants	Gross Sales	$.	101,787,039	118,110,263	14,134,365	19,044,643	34.74	
	Production - Meat	Lbs.	197,161,551	272,152,774	35,934,578	51,536,351	43.42	
		Value $.	83,298,451	83,362,658	12,589,716	14,563,254	15.68	
" "	Exports - Cattle -	No.of Hd.	26,880	25,713	3,805	119		96.87
		Value $.	7,268,803	5,372,482	920,242	21,131		97.70
	Calves -	No.of Hd.	2,678	3,315	108	88		18.52
		Value $.	261,038	228,100	10,916	6,254		42.71
	Sheep & Lambs -	No.of Hd.	11,078	6,091	2,022	130		93.57
		Value $.	357,412	137,515	58,891	2,639		95.52
	Swine -	No.of Hd.	74,668	72,385	13,506	9,458		29.97
		Value $.	3,928,318	2,906,387	572,557	347,613		39.29
	Meat -	No.of Lbs.	94,953,022	137,653,730	13,826,943	26,782,538	93.70	
		Value $.	40,377,286	42,206,559	4,846,577	7,548,674	55.75	
LIVE STOCK MARKETINGS:								
	Cattle -	No.of Hd.	393,870	382,637	45,260	62,961	39.11	
		Value $.	106,206,190	77,369,241	10,911,000	11,088,397	1.63	
	Calves -	No.of Hd.	95,404	84,332	6,088	9,993	64.14	
		Value $.	9,619,427	5,890,750	610,419	719,056	17.80	
	Swine -	No.of Hd.	957,773	1,362,142	187,518	264,400	41.00	
		Value $.	51,453,055	54,407,587	7,955,742	9,714,806	22.11	
	Sheep & Lambs -	No.of Hd.	96,924	133,086	20,027	18,032		9.96
		Value $.	2,894,212	2,824,455	582,904	372,508		36.09
EXPORTS:								
	Horses -	No.of Hd.	5,796	1,923	212	362	70.75	
		Value $.	249,175	97,224	9,432	20,223	114.41	
	Cattle -	No.of Hd.	204,644	153,915	18,047	24,237	34.30	
		Value $.	55,089,213	30,670,339	4,354,792	4,264,240		2.08

TWO MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952.

MINERALS AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES:			1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (2 Mos.)	1953 (2 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (2 MOS.) INC.%	PERCENTAGE (2 MOS.) DEC.%
Coal	- Production	Tons.	7,661,276	7,194,472	1,556,982	1,146,779		26.35
		Value $.	41,000,953	39,974,318	8,219,238	6,018,156		26.78
Petroleum-Crude	- Production	Barrels.	45,915,384	58,915,723	7,069,038	9,510,524	34.54	
	Value of Sales	$.	115,809,221	139,657,915	17,648,632	22,074,865	25.08	
Natural Gas	- Production	M.C.F.	85,380,121	95,697,432	19,407,173	21,363,461	10.08	
Salt	- Production	Tons.	19,770	24,388	3,714	3,745	.83	
Petroleum-Crude & Refined	- Imports	Gallons.	37,775,684	58,889,974	7,514,601	11,413,163	51.88	
	- Exports	Gallons.	1,210,574,465	1,573,143,989	127,518,198	163,169,088	27.96	
Petroleum Products Refined	- Gross Sales	$.	82,661,515	103,790,871	12,779,141	13,748,750	7.59	
	- Production	Gallons.	551,362,978	682,094,238	112,369,309	113,948,885	1.41	
	- Imports	Gallons.	5,383,642	10,509,239	687,956	2,360,068	243.06	
	- Exports	Gallons.	162,117,937	184,651,859	22,398,632	23,692,666	5.78	
PROPANE and Butane	- Production	Gallons.	11,657,842	16,726,807	2,396,719	3,364,015	40.36	
	- Sales	Gallons.	9,501,616	15,106,381	2,480,245	2,891,495	16.58	
Natural Gasoline	- Production	Barrels.	515,027	579,873	108,422	109,580	1.07	
	- Value of Sales	$.	1,663,854	1,662,514	321,401	309,922		3.57
Sulphur	- Production	Tons.	-	8,932	336	2,684	698.81	
	- Sales	Tons.	-	4,225	-	1,375	-	
Clay Products	- Gross Sales	$.	3,694,019	3,721,742	485,321	465,295		4.13
Cement & Cement Products	- Gross Sales	$.	9,032,198	11,852,345	902,719	1,720,228	90.56	
Cement	- Production	Barrels.	1,682,417	1,907,792	267,802	509,905	90.40	
		Value $.	3,978,948	4,828,185	660,850	1,298,210	96.45	
Lime	- Gross Sales	$.	443,714	516,841	50,380	35,275		29.98
	- Production	Tons.	30,669	34,306	2,061	1,311		36.39
		Value $.	399,870	479,692	21,030	16,895		19.66

SUMMARY OF GENERAL STATISTICS

TWO MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952

			1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (2 Mos.)	1953 (2 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (2 MOS.) INC.%	DEC.%
OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES:								
Forestry	- Production	Lumber-Ft.b.m.	374,524,001	391,101,000	182,043,000	238,582,000	31.06	
		Value $.	14,980,960	15,644,024	7,281,720	9,543,280	31.06	
		Total Value $.	18,054,286	18,944,000	7,882,000	10,143,500	28.69	
Fisheries (12 Mos.)	- Production	Lbs.	8,399,088	9,656,981	-	-		
		Value $.	862,327	942,888	-	-		
Fur (Wild Life)	- Production	No. of Pelts.	1,720,214	2,021,690	822,280	599,419		27.10
		Value $.	2,460,053	1,751,874	652,162	459,714		29.51
TRADE AND INDUSTRY - GENERAL:								
Wholesale Trade	- Gross Sales	$.	487,932,105	548,568,468	67,716,282	76,065,583	12.33	
Retail Trade	- Gross Sales	$.	818,365,000	903,965,000	116,653,000	130,322,000	11.72	
Machine Companies	- Gross Sales	$.	180,438,436	220,446,060	8,802,841	10,679,057	21.31	
Miscellaneous Machinery, Service & Supplies	- Gross Sales	$.	(See Machine Companies)		13,486,681	12,954,923		3.94
New Motor Vehicles	- Gross Sales	No.	36,958	41,189	4,692	7,027	49.77	
		Value $.	88,715,064	103,107,790	12,055,958	17,544,483	45.53	
CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY:								
Contracts Awarded Alberta -		No.	5,019	6,169	278	442	58.99	
		Value $.	183,075,100	231,191,300	61,878,000	13,995,700		77.38
Building Permits	- 7 Cities	No.	9,867	13,014	755	909	20.40	
		Value $.	66,437,395	100,085,129	2,938,508	5,174,933	76.11	
MISCELLANEOUS:								
Bank Clearings	-	$.	2,963,850,119	3,594,105,352	495,822,965	624,778,371	26.01	
Bank Debits	-	$.	6,241,574,585	7,857,888,767	1,105,384,615	1,282,756,435	16.05	
Customs' Duty Receipts	-	$.	10,990,155	14,835,809	1,588,467	2,379,588	49.80	
Electric Power	- Consumption -	K.W.Hrs.	1,021,077,000	1,163,293,000	201,855,000	222,891,000	10.42	
Tourist Trade - Cars - Customs' Ports	-	No.	54,483	62,590	2,387	3,617	51.53	
Visitors, National Parks, excl. Banff West Gate.		No.	877,199	1,027,766	29,560	39,736	34.42	

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PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR STATISTICS FOR TWELVE MONTHS - 1952 - AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1951

			1951	1952	INCREASE	DECREASE	PERCENTAGE INC.%	PERCENTAGE DEC.%
AGRICULTURE:								
Agricultural	- Production	Gross Value $.	751,211,000	767,108,000	15,897,000		2.12	
Wheat	- Production	Bush.	152,000,000	172,000,000	20,000,000		13.16	
		Value $.	229,520,000	266,600,000	37,080,000		16.16	
Other Grains	- Production	Bush.	249,074,000	259,700,000	10,626,000		4.27	
		Value $.	221,275,000	239,798,000	18,523,000		8.37	
Forage Crop Seed etc.	- Production	Value $.	4,859,000	6,013,000	1,154,000		23.75	
Potatoes	- Production	Bush.	2,354,000	3,256,000	902,000		38.32	
		Value $.	4,049,000	4,884,000	835,000		20.62	
Sugar Beets	- Production	Tons.	349,194	480,000	130,806		37.46	
		Value $.	5,007,000	7,200,000	2,193,000		43.80	
Fodder-Crops	- Production	Tons.	2,166,400	2,275,700	109,300		5.05	
		Value $.	38,357,000	35,149,000		3,208,000		8.36
Wool	- Production	Lbs.	1,612,000	1,908,000	296,000		18.36	
		Value $.	1,088,000	916,000		172,000		15.81
Honey & Wax	- Production	Lbs.	4,500,000	4,900,000	400,000		8.89	
		Value $.	569,000	618,000	49,000		8.61	
Animals Slaughtered and Sold		No.	1,572,389	1,967,184	394,795		25.11	
		Value $.	166,346,000	133,434,000		32,912,000		19.79
Dairy Products	-	Value $.	47,258,000	45,375,000		1,883,000		3.98
Poultry Products	-	Value $.	30,057,000	24,285,000		5,772,000		19.20
Fur Farming	-	Value $.	2,826,000	2,836,000	10,000		.35	
NATURAL RESOURCES:								
Mineral	- Production	Total Value $.	168,144,211	197,333,166	29,188,955		17.36	
Forestry	- Production	Total Value $.	18,054,000	18,944,000	890,000		4.93	
Fisheries	- Production	Total Value $.	862,327	942,888	80,561		9.34	
Fur (Wild Life) (July 1 to June 30)	- Production	Total Value $.	2,530,978	1,765,849		765,129		30.23
TRADE AND INDUSTRY - GENERAL:								
Wholesale Trade	-	Gross Sales $.	490,000,000	550,000,000	60,000,000		12.24	
Retail Trade	-	Gross Sales $.	818,365,000	903,965,000	85,600,000		10.46	
Manufactures	-	Total Value $.	433,060,000	461,865,000	28,805,000		6.65	
Construction	- Contracts Awarded	No.	5,019	6,169	1,150		22.91	
		Total Value $.	183,075,100	231,191,300	48,116,200		26.28	
Building Permits	- (4 Cities)	No.	9,545	12,491	2,946		30.86	
		Total Value $.	65,146,774	96,978,083	31,831,309		48.86	
Defence Contracts Awarded		No.	170	114		56		32.94
		Total Value $.	13,318,538	27,014,090	13,695,552		102.83	

BUILDING PERMITS - (7 CITIES)

1952 (3 Mos.) No. of Permits	1952 (3 Mos.) Value $		1953 (3 Mos.) No. of Permits	1953 (3 Mos.) Value $
604	$ 3,239,864	CALGARY	891	$ 6,198,018
537	$ 2,042,799	EDMONTON	756	$ 6,329,357
75	$ 426,450	LETHBRIDGE	120	$ 1,077,601
40	$ 121,680	MEDICINE HAT	54	$ 423,615
25	$ 110,600	RED DEER	34	$ 277,000
2	$ 2,500	DRUMHELLER	3	$ 10,950
2	$ 12,300	WETASKIWIN	6	$ 8,890
1,285	$ 5,956,193	TOTAL (7 CITIES)	1,864	$14,325,431

CONSTRUCTION - ALBERTA - (3 MONTHS)

		No. Of Contracts		VALUE $
To - March 31st (3 Mos.) - 1949	-	362	-	$ 25,437,100
To - March 31st (3 Mos.) - 1950	-	490	-	$ 25,195,600
To - March 31st (3 Mos.) - 1951	-	628	-	$ 26,023,600
To - March 31st (3 Mos.) - 1952	-	618	-	$ 72,634,600
To - March 31st (3 Mos.) - 1953	-	995	-	$ 49,637,500

TO - MARCH 31st.	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	INCREASE NO.	DECREASE NO.	PER-CENT INCREASE %	PER-CENT DECREASE %
Banff	47,220	58,913	11,693		24.76	
Elk Island	440	1,850	1,410		320.45	
Jasper	1,677	1,443		234		13.95
Nemiskam	-	-	-	-	-	-
Waterton Lakes	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL - 3 Mos. -	49,337	62,206	NET INCREASE 12,869		NET INCREASE % 26.08	

AUTOMOBILES ENTERING CUSTOMS' STATIONS FOR TOURING PURPOSES - ALBERTA

TO - MARCH 31st.	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	INCREASE NO.	DECREASE NO.	PER-CENT INCREASE %	PER-CENT DECREASE %
Aden	23	51	28		121.74	
Carway	139	297	158		113.67	
Chief Mountain	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coutts	3,818	5,004	1,186		31.06	
Del Bonita	350	277	-	73		20.86
Wild Horse	6	68	62		1,033.33	
TOTAL - 3 Mos. -	4,336	5,697	NET INCREASE 1,361		NET INCREASE % 31.39	

DETAILS OF REFINERIES' PRODUCTION

FIRMS DESIGNATED AS:	GASOLINE GALS.	DIESEL FUEL GALS.	KEROSENE GALS.	OTHER FUEL GALS.	MISC. FUEL GALS.	TOTAL GALS.
A-	2,902,235	1,522,955	6,930	1,709,295	482,020	6,623,435
AA-	3,247,160	1,126,195	21,630 ✱	686,280	-	5,038,005
B-	309,960	-	-	-	-	309,960
BB-	19,598	90,998	67,536	902,463	70,000	1,150,595
D-	800,211	88,476	32,719	337,303	-	1,258,709
E-	-	-	-	342,221	-	342,221
G-	175,354	126,143	-	6,560,087	-	6,861,584
H-	4,205,336	276,159	1,403 ✱	934,288	-	5,414,380
J-	13,211,426	4,677,734	126,793	3,042,601	-	21,058,554
K-				1,472	3,253	4,725
L-	1,168,335	-	-	-	-	1,168,335
M-		34,635	44,365	277,020	-	356,020
N-	3,939,495	452,340	70 ✱	1,232,210	96,985	5,720,960
TOTAL	29,979,110	8,395,635	255,240	16,025,240	652,258	55,307,483

✱ Adjustments - Deduct

D E T A I L S O F W H O L E S A L E T R A D E - A L B E R T A

Two Months Ended 28 February, 1953, as Compared with Corresponding Period in 1952.

(according to the undermentioned classifications)

	1952 (2 Mo.)	1953 (2 Mo.)	INCREASE $	DECREASE $	INCREASE %	DECREASE %
T O T A L - WHOLESALE TRADE	67,716,282	76,065,583	8,349,301		12.33	
Automotive Accessories, Equipment and Supplies	10,822,970	14,682,217	3,859,247		35.66	
Drugs	1,345,576	1,284,420		61,156		4.54
Dry Goods	4,342,499	5,049,941	707,442		16.29	
Electrical Appliances & Radios	5,658,290	6,604,118	945,828		16.72	
Furniture	438,562	672,949	234,387		53.44	
Groceries (including Fruits and Vegetables	22,730,085	23,719,432	989,347		4.35	
Hardware	7,799,490	7,408,812		390,678		5.01
Lumber and Building Supplies	4,350,633	6,014,582	1,663,949		38.25	
Paints and Varnishes	774,305	917,996	143,691		18.56	
Paper	1,376,952	1,460,431	83,479		6.06	
Tobacco	2,429,536	2,617,285	187,749		7.73	
Miscellaneous	5,647,384	5,633,400		13,984		.25

DETAILS OF RETAIL TRADE - ALBERTA

TWO MONTHS ENDED 28 FEBRUARY, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1952

(according to the undermentioned classifications)

	1952 (2 Mos.)	1953 (2 Mos.)	INCREASE	DECREASE	INCREASE %	DECREASE %
	$	$	$	$		
TOTAL - ALL TRADES	116,653,000	130,322,000(a)	13,669,000		11.72	
Grocery and Combination Stores	15,045,000	16,194,000	1,149,000		7.64	
Meat Stores	2,481,000	2,309,000		172,000		6.93
Country General Stores	9,861,000	10,083,000	222,000		2.25	
Department Stores	8,667,000	9,980,000	1,313,000		15.15	
Variety Stores	1,005,000	1,190,000	185,000		18.41	
Motor Vehicle Dealers	21,308,000	22,410,000	1,102,000		5.17	
Garage and Filling Stations	6,339,000	7,994,000	1,655,000		26.11	
Men's Clothing Stores	2,427,000	2,587,000	160,000		6.59	
Family Clothing Stores	1,192,000	1,473,000	281,000		23.57	
Women's Clothing Stores	2,089,000	2,384,000	295,000		14.12	
Shoe Stores	593,000	657,000	64,000		10.79	
Hardware Stores	2,700,000	3,017,000	317,000		11.74	
Lumber & Building Material Dealers	6,234,000	8,286,000	2,052,000		32.92	
Furniture Stores	1,846,000	2,084,000	238,000		12.89	
Appliances and Radio Stores	1,987,000	(b)	-	-	-	-
Restaurants	4,786,000	4,854,000	68,000		1.42	
Coal and Wood Dealers	204,000	(b)	-	-	-	-
Drug Stores	2,680,000	2,906,000	226,000		8.43	
Jewellery Stores	837,000	502,000(a)	-	335,000		40.02
Tobacco Stores	593,000	(b)	-		-	-
All Other Trades	23,779,000	27,809,000	4,030,000		16.95	

(a) Any slight differences between totals and their components are due to the rounding of the figures and to figures being withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(b) Not available.